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OUTLINES.

Mr. Sig. Einstein, junior member of the firm of Einstein Bros., Kinston, N. C., committed suicide. —— The entire American force at Manila has been reorganized, two divisions being formed; Gen. Lawton in command of one and Gen. McArthur the other. —— Filipinos attacked the Americans at Taguig Friday night; they were repulsed; two American soldiers were killed and an officer and thirteen privates wounded; enemy's loss severe. —— The battleship Oregon and the Iris have arrived at Manila. —— Four batteries of light artillery have been ordered to Manila. —— Ex-Secretary Sherman is much better. —— The French ambassador at Washington has given formal notice of the ratification of the peace treaty of Madrid. —— Col. Wm. J. Bryan arrived at Knoxville, Tenn., and was met at the depot by several hundred Democrats; at night he delivered a lecture on "Pending Problems" to about 1,500 —— It is denied that another operation was performed on the Pope yesterday. —— Fire at Greenville, Texas, caused a loss of $150,000. —— N. Y. markets: Money on call firm at 3@4 per cent., last loan being at 3 per cent.; cotton quiet; middling uplands 6 5-16c; flour was quiet and firmer; wheat—spot firmer; No. 2 red 79½c; corn—spot firm, No. 2 41½@43c; oats—spot steady; No. 2 31½c; rosin steady; strained common to good $1.35; spirits turpentine firm at 47½@48c

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., March 18.

Temperature: 8 A.M., 59 deg.; 8 P.M., 67 deg.; maximum, 73 deg.; minimum, 50 deg.; mean, 62 deg.

Rainfall for the day, 10; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, .31.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, March 18.—For North Carolina—Rain, followed by clearing, except on the coast; colder by afternoon, winds shifting to high westerly.

STORM WARNING.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 18.—Hoist storm southwest signals 5 P. M. Charleston, Wilmington, Savannah, Morehead, Washington, Norfolk section, Norfolk, Newport News, Fort Monroe, West Point. Violent squalls followed by a hard blow from the Southwest indicated.

Port Almanac—March 19.

Sun Rises	6.07 A. M.
Sun Sets	6.09 P. M.
Day's Length	12 H. 02 M.
High Water at Southport	1.37 A. M.
High Water, Wilmington	5.07 A. M.

There is said to be a hitch in the proposed yarn Trust. It is getting into a tangle, so to speak.

Uncle Sam is making arrangements to start a smokeless powder plant at Indian Head which, when completed, can turn out 3,000 pounds a day.

Within the past Winter the locomotive builders in this country have received and accepted orders for 156 locomotives to be used on railroads of other countries.

Some of the Philadelphia papers say that Quay is becoming tired of the Senatorial dead-lock. After he has become tired some more he will get mad and pick it to pieces.

A new light house has been erected on the French coast with a 1,500,000 candle power in ordinary and 3,000,000 in thick weather. The flashes can be seen a distance of forty-eight miles in clear weather.

The city of Los Angeles, California, draws her electric power to run her street cars, light plants, &c., from a mountain stream ninety miles away. Thus in time many mountain streams will be harnessed and put to work.

An Albany, N. Y., boomer is behind a somewhat unique enterprise for that burg. It is a cemetery for the interment of animal family pets, where they will be interred with due decorum and their graves looked after and kept green.

The Filipinos may be excused for doing considerable running when they get before the American army. They were accustomed to fighting Spaniards, and that was a sort of pic-nic compared with the racket they have on hand now.

The Philadelphia papers take comfort in the announcement that there were *only* 443 new cases of typhoid fever in that city last week, and but 49 deaths. Since January 1st there have been 3,649 cases and 380 deaths, and typhoid is a preventable disease.

The glass Trusts are not bothering the Flipinos much. Nearly all the better class of houses there have in the windows translucent oyster shells, which admit the light, but mellow it so that it is not so hard on the eyes. But if America gets a tight grip an oyster shell Trust will not be backward in coming forward.

LOCAL DOTS.

— There will be a love feast in the lecture room of Grace M. E. Church at 10 A. M. to-day.

— The schooner *Florance A,* arrived in port yesterday from the Barbadoes to Geo. Harriss, Son & Co.

— The tug *Alexander Jones* came up yesterday to tow the phosphate barges *Carrie L. Tyler* and *Maria Dolores* to Charleston.

— Seven marriage licenses were granted by the Register of Deeds during the past week; three to white couples and four to colored.

— Crude turpentine opened on the local market yesterday, after several days of inactivity, steady at $1.35, $3.40 and $2.40. There were receipts of 28 barrels.

— The schooner *Manuel R. Cuza,* Capt. Wallace, cleared yesterday for Puerto Plata, San Domingo, with a cargo of lumber and building material by master as agent. The vessel was by Geo. Harriss, Son & Co.

Charles W. Kunold, who was arrested and placed on board the revenue cutter *Algonquin* for desertion a few days ago, escaped from the vessel yesterday by slipping his shackles and crawling through one of the air tubes.

— The police officers last night arrested Ben Miller, a colored youth, on a warrant charging him with the larceny of a quantity of flour from Wm. F. Moore, captain of one of the small river vessels. He was placed in the city prison.

— Lieutenant Dan Godfrey, director of the British Guard's Band, left this city for Richmond last night to rejoin his band, having been detained here Friday and yesterday, a guest at The Orton, recuperating from an attack of la grippe.

— A feature of the 5 o'clock service in the Y. M. C. A. auditorium this afternoon will be four-minute talks by delegates to the recent State Convention at Durham. There is to be good music and a highly interesting meeting is promised.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

W. B. Cooper—Soda.
Sam'l Bear, Sr.—For sale.
M. H. Curran—Easter suit.
At Rehder's—Spring goods.
Notice—Carolina Yacht Club.
The Sneed Co.—Election over.
A. D. Brown—Important news.
At Johnson's—Special bargains.
Owen F. Love & Co.—Warm time.
C. W. Polvogt Co.—Spring goods.
C. W. Yates & Co.—Sporting goods.
Masonic—Meeting Concord Chapter.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

For Rent—Bar.
For Sale—Corn-fed meat.
For Sale—Horse and buggy.
P. H. Hayden—Buggies, harness.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. J. O. Carr, of Kenansville, is a guest at The Orton.

— Mr. Earl I. Brown, of Fort Caswell, was in the city yesterday.

— Rev. Edward Wootten and Bishop Watson went up to Faison yesterday.

— Miss Louise Reid left Friday evening to visit relatives and friends in Baltimore.

— Miss Annie S. Herring, of Clinton, is in the city, the guest of Mrs. W. C. Smith, 609 Orange street.

— Mrs. P. P. Beard and son Brice, of Salisbury, are the guests of Capt. S. W. Skinner, 611 Orange street.

— Mr. W. M. Creasy, travelling auditor for the Atlantic Coast Line, arrived in the city yesterday from a business trip to points between Greensboro and Mount Airy, on the Atlantic and Yadkin.

Mr. W. L. Smith, of Conway, S. C., a former resident of Wilmington, passed through the city yesterday en route to Magnolia, where he goes to see his wife, who has been quite ill there for some time.

— Dr. Calvin S. Blackwell has accepted invitations to be the commencement orator for Robeson Institute, Bladenboro High School, and the Wingate Collegiate Institute. Several others are under consideration and will be accepted if conflicting dates can be arranged.

— Mr. A. D. Brown, the well known dry goods merchant on North Front street, returned yesterday afternoon from New York and other Northern markets, where he purchased a complete stock of new Spring and Summer goods. Mrs. Brown and Miss Maggie, who accompanied him, also came back yesterday.

— Capt. Geo. Lockwood, of Riverside, Conn., whose custom it is to spend two months or more of each Winter in this section, left yesterday for his home, having spent about two months in this city. Mr. Lockwood is a clever gentleman and a host of friends hope to welcome him back next season.

Weekly Police Record.

The summary of arrests by the police force for the week ending yesterday shows: Number of arrests 21; whites 11; colored 10. The offences for which the arrests were made are subdivided as follows; Disorderly conduct 6; affray 4; drunk 3; drunk and down 1; larceny 3; drunk and disorderly 2; riding bicycle without lamp 1; assault with deadly weapon 1.

New Neck-wear and Shirts for Gentlemen, are shown by The C. W. Polvogt Co. †

INTERESTING EVENTS

Some Notable Entertainments and Other Meetings of the Coming Week.

HIGHWAYMAN MONDAY NIGHT

Mr. Schloss' Strong Guarantee—Musical Association's Rehearsals—Meetings of N. C. Sorosis Departments. Easter German Notes.

The Opera House Management is favoring Wilmington amusement seekers with an especially strong class of attractions those latter days of the theatrical season. Last week there was the the world renowned British band on Thursday night followed by the popular farce comedy "Finnigan's Ball" on Friday night and on to-morrow (Monday) night "The Highwayman" played by Miss Camille D'Arville with an unusually strong support, will be presented. Mr. Schloss guarantees this to be the most perfect and brilliantly rendered high-class comic Opera ever presented in the Wilmington Opera House.

The thrilling story of "The Highwayman" is told in three acts, laid in the early part of the present century. The painter and the costumer both have rare opportunities at their call in depicting the scenic and sartorial surroundings of the courtyard of the Cat and Fiddle Tavern, a lonely spot on the York road by moonlight, and the Park of Beverley Monor. The atmosphere of the time is happily sustained by Mr. DeKoven in music suggestive of old English tunes.

The Broadway Opera Company has a special orchestra of its own which adds greatly to the attractiveness of the programme.

The rehearsal this week by the Wilmington Musical Association will be held on Tuesday instead of Monday night. The change is made in order that those members who so desire may attend the theatre to-morrow night. The evening of May 5th has been decided upon by the association as the time for their annual public rehearsal, at which *Saul's* superb oratorio "Joan of Arc" is to be rendered. A STAR reporter was told yesterday by Mr. Ed. H. Munson, the efficient musical director, that an excellent orchestra of fifteen instruments has been secured; the soloists selected and general arrangements perfected which assure the most successful annual musicale the association has yet given. There will be fifty voices in the chorus.

During the coming week the Literature Department, the Home Science Department and the Art Department of the North Carolina Sorosis will hold meetings. The first will be by the Home Science Department on Tuesday afternoon. "Digestion" and "Food of Nations" will be the topics for study and discussion. The Literature Department will meet on Thursday afternoon. A special feature of the programme will be a paper entitled "Dawn of Romantic Poetry, 1725," prepared and read by one of the most talented ladies of the department. Other ladies have been appointed to read selections, as follows: "Vicar of Wakefield" (*Goldsmith*), "The Deserted Village" (*Goldsmith*) and "Caleb's Search For a Wife" (*Hannah Moore*). The meeting of the Art Department will be on Saturday afternoon. One of the most proficient and versatile members will treat especially the subject of "Painting." Other ladies will favor the department with appropriate readings. They will be "Readings From Mrs. Jamison," and "Modern Painters"—Vol. 2, pages 175-185.

Schubert Hall was the scene of an especially unique entertainment yesterday afternoon, the participants being the pupils of Misses Ulrich and Corbett's "Fletcher Kindergarten Music School," assisted by Miss Cannie Chasten's music pupils. There was a large attendance of patrons and friends of the scholars in attendance and every one is enthusiastic in commendation of the excellent manner in which the programme was rendered and the marvellous progress and proficiency displayed by the little pupils of the kindergarten school.

The programme was arranged as a "Study of Tone Masters," so that a Kindergarten pupil would recite a verse relating to the life and compositions of a great master and some pupil of Miss Chasten's class would render a selection by that composer. This feature of the programme was as follows:

"Mozart"
(Verse in rhyme)
Flora Yopp.
Minuet in E flat ..... Mozart
May Muse.
(Second piano) Maude Bullock.
"Mendelssohn"
(Verse in rhyme)
Agnes Hall Chasten.
"Consolation" (from "Songs Without Words") ..... Mendelssohn
Sallie Bell Jackson.
"Bach"
(Verse in rhyme)
Sue Boone.
Prelude in C minor ..... Bach
Maud Bullock.
"Beethoven"
(Verse in rhyme)
James Willson,
Sonata Op 27 No. 1 ("Moonlight") .... Beethoven
Ida Brown.
"Handel"
(Verse in rhyme)
Harry Solomon.
"Harmonious Blacksmith" .... Handel
Alice Craft.
"Haydn"
(Verse in rhyme)
Nannie Waters.
Rondo in D major ..... Haydn
Bessie D. Burtt.
(Orchestral parts on second part.)

The exercises were closed with remarkable demonstrations of ear training, rythm, sigh treading and mental division of time, by the pupils of the Fletcher Kindergarten Music School. After the entertainment the guests were shown through the Kindergarten apartments where the material for the Fletcher method of musical instruction was on exhibition. The entertainment is pronounced, by all, a splendid testimonial to the method, the instructors and the pupils.

While no dates have been positively set for the Easter germans by L'Arioso and L'Agile Clubs, still it is generally believed that they will be on Wednesday and Friday nights after Easter Monday. The german by Miss Cammie Lord's dancing pupils will be given as previously announced in the STAR, on Easter Monday night. The prizes to be awarded the pupil who leads the prettiest figure and those to the best dancers are creating sharp but friendly rivalry, so that the german will doubtless be distinguished by beautiful and difficult figures. It is expected that there will be at least two or three impromptu germans very soon after Easter.

THE 1899 BASE BALL SEASON.

A. C. L. and O. A. N. Teams Planning for a Game for Every Week.

Preparations are progressing quite satisfactorily in the matter of arranging for the 1899 base ball season in Wilmington. There was a conference last night between the captains and managers of the O. A. N. and A. C. L. teams, during which there was a general discussion of the situation and agreements made regarding several important matters. Those present were Capt. McRee Hatch and Manager T. R. Orrell, of the O. A. N's., and Capt. H. L. Sanders and Manager Jas. Sinclair of the A. C. L's. The list of players was canvassed and an agreement made that players on each team must sign contracts to play on one team during the entire season. It was the purpose of the teams to provide a good game of ball for each week of the season. They are now conducting correspondence with several teams in other cities with a view to arranging dates.

Practices by the local teams will probably begin this week at Hilton Park. They will change to the O. A. N. grounds just as soon as the improvements now in progress are completed. All the regular games will be played at Hilton Park.

The following officers have been elected for the ensuing six-months' term by the O. A. N. club, to-wit:

President—Mr. W. C. Crow.
Vice President—Mr. Junius Davis, Jr.
Secretary—Mr. Edwin A. Metts.
Treasurer—Mr. J. B. Peschau.
Captain of base ball team—Mr. T. R. Orrell.
Captain of foot ball team—Mr. H. J. McMillan.
Governing Board—Mr. Geo. James, Mr. McRee Hatch, Mr. H. R. Moore and Mr. H. DeL. Southerland, jointly with other club officers *ex-officio*.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

"Happy homes and how to make them," will be the theme at the First Baptist Church to-night.

St. Thomas' Church: First mass, 7 A. M.; high mass and sermon, 10.30 A. M.; vespers, sermon, 7.45 P. M.

The Quarterly Conference will be held at Grace M. E. Church to-day at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M., by Presiding Elder Bumpass.

Services in St. John's Church to-day (fifth Sunday in Lent) by the rector, Rev. Dr. Carmichael. Holy communion, 7.45 A. A.; morning prayer and sermon, 11 o'clock; evening prayer, 5 o'clock; Sunday school, 3.30 P. M.

Another series of sermons will bte delivered by Rev. M. A. Baber at Si. Paul's Episcopal Church to-night Hs subject will be "The Immortal Relationship of Souls living upon the Earth and Departed Souls."

St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Sixth and Market streets, A. G. Voigt, D D., pastor. English services to-day at 11 A. M. German service at 7.30 P. M. Sunday school at 3.30 P. M. Lenten services on Wednesday at 8 P. M.

St. Matthews' English Lutheran Church, North Fourth street, above Bladen, Rev. G. D. Bernheim pastor. Morning service, 11 o'clock; evening service, 7.30 o'clock; Sunday school, 9.30 A. M. All seats free, and every person welcome.

To Enlarge Its Capacity.

The current issue of the *Southern Milling and Lumber Journal* has the following item of local interest concerning one of Wilmington's foremost lumber firms:

"The Bridgers & McKeithan Lumber Co., of Wilmington, N. C., and Burke, S. C., has just purchased a fine body of yellow pine in South Carolina and inside of ninety days will build and equip throughout a large band mill thereon. The plant will have a daily capacity of between forty and fifty thousand feet and will be up to date in every particular. The two mills will give this well-known firm a daily capacity of between seventy-five and one hundred thousand feet."

Naval Reserves Cruise.

The itinerary marked out for the big converted cruiser *Dairie* this Summer embraces the following:

"Southport—May 22d to May 30th, proceeding from there to off Wilmington, and picking up the Wilmington and other divisions at that point; these divisions to be brought out by the *Hornet*, and afterward landed on May 31st."

To City Subscribers.

City subscribers are earnestly requested to report promptly at the STAR office every failure of the carriers to deliver their papers. In all such cases steps will be taken to insure promp and regular delivery.

New Mattings, Oil Cloths, and Rugs are shown by The C. W. Polvogt Co. †

TO CONFEDERATE VETERANS.

Movement to Ascertain Who Will Attend the Reunion to be Held in Charleston.

An effort is being made by Commander Geo. W. Huggins and other officers of the Cape Fear Camp United Confederate Veterans to ascertain how many of the veterans will attend the Reunion of the United Confederate Veterans to be held in Charleston, S. C., May 10th to the 13th. And veterans who will go are urged to notify Mr. P. Heinsberger in person or by mail as early as possible. The following circular letter has been issued by Chief Quartermaster W. J. Woodward of this city, to-wit.

The rates of transportation from all points in North Carolina will be one cent per mile travelled, or round trip two cents per mile.

North Carolina headquarters will be at the Mills House, corner Meeting and Queen streets, Charleston; the rates at the Mills House, which is on the European plan, will be $1.00 per day for each person, or if one person occupies the entire room, $2.00 per day. Meals 50 cents each.

I have secured the option for the accommodation of fifty persons at these rates and desire to know at once how many wish the rooms secured. The rooms are all on the parlor floor and have double beds; please say if you desire the room secured at $2.00 or if you will have some one to occupy it with you at $1.00 each. Your immediate reply will oblige,

Yours, fraternally,
W. J. WOODWARD,
Chief Q. M. N. C. D. U. C. V.,
P. O. Box 601, Wilmington, N. C.

CAROLINA MFG. CO., OF CHARLOTTE.

Mr. J. A. Fore, of Wilmington, Elected Treasurer and General Manager.

The Charlotte *Observer* of yesterday has the following notice of the annual meeting of the Carolina Manufacturing Co., of that city, of which Mr. J. A. Fore, of Wilmington, has recently become one of the principal stockholder, treasurer and general manager:

"The stockholders of the Carolina Manufacturing Company, at a recent meeting, elected the following officers for the ensuing year: J. H. Weddington, president; Dr. George W. Graham, secretary, and James A. Fore, treasurer and general manager. The stock was increased to $20,000 by Mr. J. A. Fore taking $5,000. He will have entire control of the operation of the plant. He expects with the plant's present facilities, to more than double the output. The company has secured property adjoining its plant. Mr. Fore owns one-third of the Fore & Foster Company, of Wilmington."

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

W. & W. Railroad—8 bales cotton, 7 casks spirits turpentine, 1 barrel crude turpentine.

W., C. & A. Railroad—35 bales cotton, 5 casks spirits turpentine. 143 barrels rosin, 102 barrels tar.

A. & Y. Railroad—121 barrels rosin, 33 barrels tar.

W. & N. Railroad—4 bales cotton, 29 barrels rosiu.

Steamer E. A. Hawes—464 barrels rosin, 129 barrels tar.

Steamship Oneida—6 bales cotton.

Total—Cotton, 53 bales; spirits turpentine, 12 casks; rosin, 757 barrels; tar, 264 barrels; crude turpentine, 1 barrel.

Off for the Penitentiary.

Deputy Sheriffs W. W. King, J. P. Flynn, Capt. W. P. Oldham and J. Oscar Millis, left yesterday morning for Raleigh with eight prisoners, recently sentenced at the Criminal Court to various terms in the penitentiary. Jailor Millis now has only two prisoners in jail, Judge Battle having made a clean sweep of all the county's boarders. They are Iredell Loftin, committed since the adjournment of court for crushing the skull of another negro on Middle Sound, and Pat Murphy, the negro bicycle thief, whose original sentence was two years in the penitentiary, but which was commuted by Judge Battle at the request of Sheriff MacRae to a payment of all fines and costs. He will be hired out for this purpose.

Yacht Club Meeting.

Those intimately connected with the arrangements for Wilmington's 1899 seaside season as a summer resort are beginning to bestir themselves now with a right good will. In another column the Carolina Yacht Club gives notice of their annual meeting to be held on March 20th, at 8:15 o'clock. The annual meeting of the Atlantic Club on Wrightsville beach will not be held until the first Monday, and that of the Sedgeley Hall Club on Carolina beach on the second Friday in April,

Sewerage Work.

Superintendent Perry for the past few days has had a force of ten hands at work on sewerage improvement in the southern part of the city. The work is being done under the general supervision of a committee from the Board of Aldermen, by virtue of a special appropriation secured by the sanitary committee for this purpose.

The Darktown Minstrels.

Mr. J. W. Blomme informs a STAR reporter that the Darktown Minstrels are soon to appear at the Opera House in a gorgeous production of modern minstrelsy. Up-to-date songs and dances will prevail and there will be a cake walk in which Franklin's success will be given. Popular prices will prevail.

The C. W. Polvogt Co. have received their New Spring Stock. Visit them before you buy. †

Wash Silks 35c; Taffetta Silk 50c; India Silk 65c; Fancy Silks 75c. All new, at The C. W. Polvogt Co. †

RALEIGH'S NEWS BUDGET.

Penitentiary Case Argued Before Supreme Court—N. C. Bar Association—Robbery—Sudden Death.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, March 18.—The case of the new board of directors of the penitentiary, against Capt. Day for possession of the State's prison, was argued before the Supreme Court to-day by Messrs. C. M. Busbee and R. O. Burton for plaintiffs, and Mr. C. F. MacRae, Judge Thos. N. Hill, Col. T. M. Argo and Judge McRae for defendant. The court will render no decision before next week.

Priscilla Smith, colored, was buried this evening. She was found dead at her home yesterday. She was on her knees at her bed when she died from violent hemorrhage, and was later found dead in this position by her daughter.

The office of the Excelsior steam laundry was entered last night by robbers. They broke open the money-drawer, but got only 32 cents.

News is received here of the sale of the Blue Wing copper mines, Caswell county, to a Boston syndicate. Recently specimens of "pure copper," the finest grade of ore, have been found in it. The fact that these mines also have silver enhances their value.

A charter was granted at Charleston, W. Va., yesterday to the Cumberland Cotton Mills Company, of Cumberland, N. C.

On account of opposition to the proposed issue of $100,000 for street improvement bonds by the city of Raleigh and because of its influence on city politics, the date for a vote on it has been indefinitely postponed.

The executive committee of the North Carolina Bar Association is called to meet here in the Supreme Court library at 11.30 o'clock on Saturday, March 25th, to select a place and speakers for the annual meeting. Either Asheville or Morehead will be chosen.

TIRED OF LIFE.

Suicide of Mr. Sig. Einstein, a Merchant of Kinston, North Carolina.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

KINSTON, N. C., March 18.—This morning about 8 o'clock, the clerks in the large store of Einstein Bros., at Kinston, were startled by a pistol-shot in a room in the rear of the store. Breaking open the door, which was locked, they found Mr. Sig Einstein lying across a bed in a dying condition, he having fired a bullet into his brain. Physicians were summoned, but he lived only a few minutes. Mr. Einstein was junior member of the firm, about 26 years old, was universally popular, and no cause can be assigned for the act except mental depression. A note was found in his pocket in which he stated that he was tired of life and wished to die.

NEW PEANUT TRUST.

Buys Norfolk Factories—Five Million Dollars in the Deal.

[*Special to the Baltimore Herald.*]

NORFOLK, VA., March 17.—It developed to-day that the much-talked-of peanut trust has been practically formed. An expert accountant from the American Edible Nut Company, which concern has about $5,000,000 capital, and which will control the several factories in Virginia, Ohio and Indiana, arrived here to-day and examined the books and accounts of all of the local factories. The accounts gave evidence of an unusually profitable season. It is undersood that the trust, which will practically control the country's supply of nuts, will take charge of the factories within thirty days, the only thing now necessary being that the statements of the various factories shall be verified. It is stated, upon good authority, that $1,000,000 of the $5,000,000 capital of the trust is now on deposit in New York.

TERRIBLE EXPLOSION.

Boiler of a Shingle Mill at Cedar Creek. Six Persons Injured.

The Fayetteville *Observer* of Friday last says:

Last night the boiler of Mr. David Clifton's shingle mill, a large plant on the banks of the Cape Fear at Cedar Creek, exploded with terrific force, hurling great sections of the boiler and plant hundreds of yards away, injuring more or less fatally the following—all white:

David Clifton, wounded in a number of places and severely hurt; O. H. Wheeler, frightfully scalded and otherwise wounded; Robt. Watson, dangerously hurt and badly mangled; Sylvester Edwards and his son both seriously hurt. A negro named Edwards was also seriously wounded. It is thought that several, if not all, of the above will die.

Mr. N. C. Thaggard was standing forty yards distant and was so badly shocked that he required medical aid.

Mayor's Court Yesterday.

The Mayor disposed of the following cases at the municipal court yesterday: Nicholas Direlipen and T. Nielson, both Swedish sailors from the bargue *Triumph*, disorderly conduct, fined $5 each. Josephine Brown, colored, riding bicycle at night without lantern; dismissed on plea of defendant that she was a stranger in town and knew no better. Charles Morris, colored, disorderly conduct, thirty days on the streets. "Son" Hankins, colored, drunkenness and disorderly conduct, fined $10. Two other cases for an affray growing out of the aldermanic contest in Fifth ward, were dismissed on payment of costs.

Have you seen the New Silks and Dress Goods at The C. W. Polvogt Co? Styles and prices are right. †

Dr. Blackwell's Lecture.

On Wednesday Dr. Calvin S. Blackwell will go to Southern Pines and on that night deliver his lecture on "Grit, Grace and Gumption." The STAR learns that this lecture will be given in this city in a few weeks for the benefit of the Baptist Boys' Brigade, the proceeds to be used in defraying the expenses of the Brigade in attending the convention of the Baptist Young People's Union of America, to be held in July at Richmond. They propose to charter a car from Wilmington to Richmond and attend in a body.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Concord Chapter No. 1, R. A. M.

COMPANIONS—The regular Convocation will be held Monday evening, at 8 o'clock.

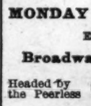
ma 19 1t W. A. MARTIN, Secretary.

Notice.

The annual meeting of the Carolina Yacht Club will be held Monday evening, March 20th, at 8.15 P. M., in the rooms of the Merchants' Association. Election of officers for ensuing year.

By order of Geo. D. Parsley, Commodore.
JAMES T. MUNDS,
mar 19 1t Purser.

Building Lots For Sale.



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NCREASING ARMAMENTS AND DEBTS.

A few days ago we wrote on the increasing armies and navies of the leading nations of the earth, these increases being made necessary, or at least thought to be, by the land-grabbing disposition of the leading nations. There never was seen in the world such armaments as these nations now have, and they are, notwithstanding the talk of disarmament, constantly increasing. For all this the nations have to pay. How heavily some of them pay is shown by the following, which we clip from the New York *Tribune:*

Our London dispatches have told of the increase of Great Britain's naval budget. Last year's was the largest on record to that time, but this year's surpassed it by some $15,000,000, and there is every reason to expect that next year's will be a few millions larger still. The estimates this year are about twice what they were ten years ago, the increase being from less than $70,000,000 in 1890 to nearly $135,000,000 in 1899. The number of men in the service has also increased in equal ratio, from 58,000 in 1886 to 110,000 at the present time. Of course, this growth of naval armament has been altogether out of proportion to the growth of population or commerce or national wealth. It is made in competition with the increase of Continental navies, which latter is being pressed at a great rate; and the intention is not merely to keep the British Navy stronger than any other or any combination of others, but to put it so far ahead of them that other Governments will give up trying to rival it. Under the present policy of the Admiralty it seems not unlikely that end will be attained.

"The question of national debts is one of the most important factors in the problem. But it is only third in size in Europe, and it is rapidly being paid off. Indeed, British financiers are beginning seriously to consider the question of how capital is to be invested when there are no more 'Consols' in existence. On the other hand, all other national debts among the Great Powers are increasing. Ten years ago the British debt was next to the largest. Since then it has been decreased by $355,000,000, and has fallen to third place, being now surpassed by Russia's which in the ten years has been increased by no less than $1,225,000,000. At the present time the national debts of the chief Powers are in round numbers as follows: France, $5,440,000,000; Russia, $3,218,000,00; Great Britain, $3,172,000,000; Italy, $2,581,000,000; Spain, $1,848,000,000; Austria, $1,743,000,000, and Prussia, $1,592,000,000.

In the great game of naval construction that nation will win which is most skilled in ship-building, and which is able to appropriate most money for the purpose. The nation that can increase its navy more rapidly than any two or three others put together, and at the same time can be paying off its debt, while the others are adding to their debts, is assured of retaining its advantage. And that is the happy lot of Great Britain."

Of course all of these debts are not the result of the land-grabbing propensity only, but trace them back and it would be safe to attribute nine-tenths of them to that. But increasing armaments of nations is a different thing from what it was a half or even a quarter of a century ago. In the days of wooden warships a respectable fleet could be built for what it now costs to build one of our first-class battle ships, the floating fortresses that the sea-fighters of a generation ago never dreamed of. One of these in action would shoot away in a few hours projectiles enough to build one of the first-class fighting ships of a generation ago.

With the ambition of nations that can afford to have the best, with the rivalry between them and the continued improvement in war ships and the provisions to make them more formidable and destructive, there is no telling what the next generation may bring forth, and we may yet see ships on the water that in power of destruction may bear about the same relation to our present steel-armored battleships that the battleship of to-day does to the warship of thirty years ago. This means the expenditure of millions of money not by one nation but by many nations, for the stupendous war preparations by one nation necessitate stupendous preparations by other nations which have interests that must be protected from the grasping propensity or ambitious aspirations of some other nation.

Great Britain, which has many outlying and distant possessions to look after, adds to her already most powerful navy because Russia, Germany and France add to theirs, and they in turn make theirs stronger because Great Britain adds to hers. And thus it goes, each nation being led or forced by the action of others, and thus it will continue until diplomacy, the magnitude of the expenditures or something else may bring about an understanding which will put an end to this increase of armaments.

Perhaps when each has done all the land-grabbing it can they may come to some such understanding, but before that the racket may come which will add many millions to their national debts. There are no indications to justify the belief or the hope that these debts may become materially lessened, but on the contrary abundant indications that they will be largely increased.

What makes it necessary for Great Britain to be spending $135,000.000 for new warships, and to keep 110,000 armed men afloat on the seas? Not her commerce for that is in no present danger. It is to be prepared to cope with other maritime nations and to protect her possessions scattered on the face of the earth, to protect the property she wrested from peoples who could not cope with her battleships, or stand up before her armed "civilizers." To the same question applied to other nations that aspire to rival great Britain, the same answer might be given, and then the question might be asked, "what are these grasping nations really gaining by their land grabbing?"

We have seen all this; we have congratulated ourselves that ours were the ways of peace and progress, while other nations were facing each other in a spirit of defiance with great armies and navies. And yet from some incomprehensible infatuation or folly we are entering upon a course which will put us precisely in the same condition they are in, and tangle us up with them as they are tangled up with each other. That is what expansion will mean, and that will be its inevitable result.

A LONG WAR.

The tenor of the official dispatches sent from Manila these days is that the situation improves from day to day; that the "rebels" have become tired of the war and despondent, and that Aguinaldo's power is broken and his influence about gone. So say the dispatches in substance, if not in so many words. No other dispatches come from Manila without passing through the censor's hands and having the blue pencil run through anything objectionable. As a matter of fact the dispatches we get from there are all one-sided, favorable to the Americans. It does not follow from this that the officers are falsifying the situation, but simply that they take the most encouraging view of it, as they see it, and are rather disposed to underrate the enemy, for whom they seem to have a thorough contempt.

But that is a different kind of a dispatch that was published yesterday from Hong Kong, cabled by an agent of the Associated Press, and giving, with other things, the substance of an interview with U. S. Consul Williams, who is quoted as saying that he "does not expect to live to see the end of the war." And he gives his reasons for it. Consul Williams has had opportunities to become pretty well acquainted with the Filipinos, and he had much to do with securing their co-operation with Admiral Dewey, and therefore some importance attaches to his views, especially since he could have no prejudice to color his views, nor motive for drawing a gloomy picture. As we see it, Consul Williams comes nearer sizing up the situation and the prospect than any or all of the official dispatches that are sent out, apparently to prevent or remove the impression that we have a tough job on hand over there.

IS IT A GAME OF DECEPTION?

In his Boston speech Mr. McKinley spoke very conservatively about the policy of his administration as to the future of the Philippines. He practically told the Bostonians that he had no policy, that with the signing of the Paris treaty his responsibility ceased and that it now remained for the Congress and the country to d[illegible]e what that policy shall be. [illegible] was right, and the [illegible] ived with responsive[illegible]w in Boston but throughout the [illegible]ntry. Was Mr. McKinley speaking candidly and honestly then? Perhaps he was; perhaps not. But we do know that he has changed his views several times on this question, and perhaps he has changed them again, if he really meant what he said at Boston.

Senator Hanna has an organ—the *Leader*—published in his home city of Cleveland, Ohio. It has a correspondent in Washington. A few days ago it published a letter from that correspondent, which contained the following:

"It is possible to-night to state, without the slightest qualification or equivocation, that the fixed aim and purpose of the national administration respecting the Palippine islands is now, and without doubt will continue to be, to retain the great Asiatic archipelago as a permanent acquisition of the United States. This is a statement of absolute fact; there is no conjecture or surmise about it. Moreover, it is official, and, therefore sanctioned by the highest authority."

This is the administration programme, according to this correspondent, to retain permanent possession of the Philippines. It isn't stated who the "authority" he refers to is; but Senator Hanna wouldn't be a very wild guess, and what Hanna says goes, provided it isn't demonstrated that it can't go, for Hanna is not only the power behind the throne, but many think the power on the throne. He and the other expansion boomers, all they may have said to the contrary, notwithstanding, have made up their minds to hold the Philippines—unless they become convinced that the scheme will not pay. They may come to that conclusion later, after they have spent a few more hundreds of millions of dollars and sacrificed several thousand more American lives.

NOT AS NICE AS THEY THOUGHT.

The people of Hawaii had little or nothing to do with the question of annexation to this country. That thing was worked up the Americans who overthrew the monarchy and established the Republic. They didn't like the prospect of standing on their arms to protect and defend the Republic against the people who might prefer the monarchy and therefore they worked for annexation, to throw the responsibility of preserving what they had won upon this Government. But the following which we clip from the Washington *Post* shows that there is considerable dissatisfaction among the annexationists, and that the thing isn't panning out altogether to their fancy. It says:

"Private advices from Honolulu are to the effect that a very unsatisfactory state of affairs exists in the Hawaiian Islands, owing to the failure of Congress to enact legislation. The citizens of Honolulu are said to be greatly dissatisfied with the neglect which has been shown them. Particular complaint is made of the alleged payment of duties upon articles which formerly came in free under the reciprocity treaty with the United States, making annexation a burden instead of a blessing. It is said that the abolition of the treaty and the non-establishment of the customs laws has led to a very annoying and anomalous situation.

"I can readily understand," said Senator Cullom yesterday, "that the condition of affairs in the Hawaiian islands is most unsatisfactory. I think, however, that there must be some mistake about the impression that the reciprocity treaty has been abrogated. My judgment would be that as the Hawaiian enabling act continued all laws, it also continued the treaty. The question, however, has not yet been settled definitely, so far as I know."

Assistant Secretary Spaulding said that the treaty was still regarded in the Treasury Department as being in force. "If any new duties are being collected in Honlulu," he said, "this department is in ignorance of it. We have no collector of customs at Honolulu, and no one will be appointed until the necessary legislation is enacted by Congress."

August Becker, the Chicago butcher, who removed his wife to make room for another, confessed at first that he threw her into the Lake, and now confesses that he killed her, cut her body up and burned it and buried what he couldn't burn. If he goes on this way people may come to the conclusion that his veracity is not to be relied upon, and that he didn't kill the woman at all, but just let her stray off, as Luetgert says his wife did.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— Any lingering hopes in the mind of the American public that the gravity of the Philippines situation was being exaggerated will be dispelled by the news from Manila published in The *World* this morning. We have a war an our hands—a long, a wearing, a deplorable struggle against savagery reinforced by a deadly climate.—*New York World, Dem.*

—— Southern Californians can remember when they journeyed far in quest of the apple which their own vine and fig tree would not yield, and paid a price for it exceeding that of citrons and pomegranates, and almost equaling that of the early peach and strawberry in our own markets. Now the fruit abounds among them. In Southern Santa Cruz county alone there are 400,000 trees, of which 250,000 are in bearing, while Monterey County is credited with 10,000 acres in orchards. Last season's product amounted to 1,500 carloads, which found a market not only in every State in the Union, but also in Europe, Asia and Australia.

—— As the mass of irrefutable, evidence accumulates against General Eagan there must grow up in the public mind an increased respect for the gallant fellows who were the victims of his maladministration. Neither regulars nor volunteers made any outbreak. On shipboard they threw the meat overboard; on land they buried it; and nauseated or with empty stomachs did their full duty like the splendid soldiers they were. General Eagan has not yet sailed from San Francisco to begin the six years of vacation on full pay granted by his friend President McKinley, and it is to be hoped that he can be recalled and confronted before the court with this new and shocking testimony.—*New York Herald, Dem.*

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Worn out with the cares of the day,
You often grow cross and impatient,
Complain of the noise and the play;
For the day brings so many vexations,
So many things go amiss,
But, mothers, whatever may vex you,
Send the children to bed with a kiss!

The dear little feet wander often,
Perhaps from the pathway of right,
The dear little hands find new mischief
To try you from morning till night;
But think of the desolate mother,
Who'd give all the world for your bliss,
And, as thanks for your infinite blessings,
Send the children to bed with a kiss.

For some day their noise will not vex you,
The silence will hurt you far more;
You will long for the sweet children's voices,
For a sweet, child's face at the door,
And to press a child's face to your bosom,
You'd give all the world for just this;
For the comfort twill bring you in sorrow,
Send the child to bed with a kiss!

SUNDAY SELECTIONS.

— The more we serve God the easier it is to turn our back ou sin.

— All that is human must retrogate if it does not advance.—*Gibbon.*

— No money is taken at the door of heaven: you can enter by merely asking admission.

— The aggregate of our daily victories and defeats will be the measure of our whole life's success or failure.

— No man ever succeeds in life by neglecting his own business and looking after other people's business.

— A reputation for good judgment, for fair dealing, for truth, and for rectitude, is itself a fortune.—*Beecher.*

— As an answer to many of the questions of life which have never been answered, we may reverently write the word—God.

— Christ stands for something else than strength in the hour of darkness and death. He came that we might have life, and that more abundantly.

— Whoever goes to preach the unsearchable riches of Christ among the heathen goes on a warfare which requires all prayer and supplication to keep his armor bright.—*Robert Moffatt.*

— Pray modestly as to the things of this life; earnestly for what may be helps to your salvation; intensely for salvation itself that you may ever behold God, love God. Practice in life whatever you pray for and God will give it to you more abundantly.—*E. B. Pusey.*

— Cyncism is another name for littleness. It is not surprising that Diogenes lived in a tub, for since he was small enough to be a cynic he could have all the room he needed in a tub—and have some flats to let.—*Rev. J. E. Pounds, D. D.*

— Act according to your faith, do the works of your faith. You believe that God is holy, and that your life should be pure; you believe that God is love, and that we must love even to sacrifice; do this and I venture to say to you that to-morrow you will have more faith.—*Eugene Bersier.*

TWINKLINGS.

— A place where "jail birds" are caged should be called "a knave-iary."—*Punch.*

— She—"If I were a man I never would care to marry." He—"If you were a man, I never would want to marry either."—*Life*

—"What is your idea of a humorist?" "A real humorist is a man who gets mad when he hears a pun."—*Chicago Record.*

— In a Balcony: She—"If capital punishment must be, I certainly favor electricity." He—"Oh! That is to say, you prefer currents to raisin's."—*Harlem Life.*

— "Poker," said the missionary, "has broken many a happy home." "And many a husband's head, incidentally," remarked the irreverent man in the rear of the hall.

— Inexperienced Golfer (in difficulties)—"What do you do in a place like this?" Sandy—"Weel, man, I usually swear like the de'll, I'm verra sorry to say."—*Puck.*

— The Algerian Idea: Jakey Krouts—"Vat vas a standing army, Fritz?" "Vy, dot vas an army dot vill sthan' mos' anyt'ings, vrom canned jackass to embalmed pig's ankle."—*Life.*

— "That young man means well," said Mabel's father, "but he isn't intellectual. He doesn't think much." "Yes, he does," interrupted Mabel confidently, "he thinks a great deal of me."—*Washington Star.*

— "The trouble with Congress," said the man who complains, "is that it spends too much time." "Yes," answered the statesman who had been disappointed in the rivers and harbors bill, "and not enough money."—*Washington Star.*

— "What is your opinion on this new national question?" said the inquirer. "My boy," said Senator Sorghum, dolefully, "that's a difficulty under which us statesmen have to labor. By the time I get through hustling for votes and watching the schemes of the opposition, I don't have a minute left for forming opinions about anything."—*Washington Star.*

Sparrows Play Ball.

A correspondent of the Philadelphia Times, writing from New Orleans, says:

A party of English sparrows seemed to be having a gay time on the roof just outside my window. I usually throw crumbs for them there, and so have frequent visits from the little fellows. There were six in the crowd yesterday, and from their peculiar antics I gathered that they were having a game of some kind. Watching them minutely, I found this to be really the case. I had that morning dropped on the roof a small bit of rubber from the end of my pencil, and this the birds had found and were using as a ball for a curious game of pitch and toss.

Of course I could not discover the run of the game very clearly, but they were evidently playing according to rule. Five of the birds occupied bases, and the little ball was tossed about the miniature diamond at a lively rate. Now and then the little fellows would chatter and chirp and change places, and the sixth bird, who sat perched on a chimney top overlooking the sport, was evidently the umpire, for once or twice, if there were more chattering and chirping than usual, he would hop down and peck at the heads of the players till peace was restored and the game resumed.

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— Wilson *Times*: Mr. Silas Lucas, one of our most enterprising citizens, informs us that there is a probability of the establishment of a mammoth cigarette factory in this city.

— Murfreesboro *Index*: Mr. Benjamin F. White, aged about sixty years, died Thursday morning, after a long illness. He suffered a stroke of paralysis several months ago.

— Fremont *Rural Visitor*: We regret to announce the sudden death of Mr. T. N. Wiggs recently moved from this community to Lucama. He was sick only a short while with pneumonia.

— Littleton *Reporter*: Ed Thomas, a colored brakeman, fell from an extra freight train moving at full speed last Sunday morning, landing on his feet, He did not receive a scratch of bruise, and was only a little stiff and sore from the fall.

— Rocky Mount *Argonaut*: There is strong talk of a new railroad from Littleton to Rocky Mount being built in the near future. This would cut through one of the best farming, timber and mining countries in the South. Progressive capitalists are behind it, and the chances of the new road are excellent.

— Roanoke *Beacon*: Deputy Sheriff Nooney, of Creswell, arrived here Friday night with Darius Bennett, colored, and committed him to jail under charge of arson. It appears that Bennett was recently ejected from a house in Creswell by process under mortgage. Then and there the said Bennett is reported as prophesying that if any one moved into that house lightning would strike it the first night. A family moved in and that night the house was burned, the inmates barely escaping, and Bennett is now resting behind the bars, awaiting the action of the Superior Court.

A Wash For Carpets.

Dissolve 4 ounces of castile soap, or any pure make, in 4 quarts of boiling water. When cool, add 5 ounces of aqua ammonia, 2½ ounces of alcohol, same amount of glycerin and 2 ounces of ether. Cork tightly. To clean a carpet, use about a teacupful to a pail of water. To clean a soiled coat or black garment, use 2 tablespoonfuls to a pint of strong black coffee. To remove grease spots, use without diluting.

Dogma.

Teacher—Mary, make a sentence with dogma as subject.

Mary (after careful thought)—The dogma has three puppies.—San Francisco Chronicle.

The following is a gem of weather lore: When you see the sun drawing water at night, know that it will rain on the morrow. The sun is said to be drawing water when its rays can be seen shining through rifts in distant clouds.

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WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.

☞ The following quotations represent Wholesale Prices generally. In making up small orders higher prices have to be charged.

BAGGING—			
2 ℔ Jute		@	6
Standard		@	7
WESTERN SMOKED—			
Hams ℔ ℔	12	@	12½
Sides ℔ ℔		@	8
Shoulders ℔ ℔	6½	@	6½
DRY SALTED—			
Sides ℔ ℔	5½	@	5¾
Shoulders ℔ ℔	6	@	6½
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—			
Second-hand, each		@	1 10
New New York, each		@	1 20
New City, each		@	1 30
BEESWAX ℔ ℔		@	22
BRICKS—			
Wilmington ℔ M	5 00	@	7 00
Northern	9 00	@	14 00
BUTTER—			
North Carolina ℔ ℔	12	@	13
Northern	20	@	23
CORN MEAL—			
Per bushel, in sacks	51	@	53
Virginia Meal	52	@	55
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle	75	@	80
CANDLES—℔ ℔			
Sperm	18	@	25
Adamantine	8	@	11
CHEESE—℔ ℔			
Northern Factory	10½	@	11¼
Dairy Cream		@	11
State		@	10½
COFFEE—℔ ℔			
Laguyra	12	@	13
Rio	8	@	10
DOMESTICS—			
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard		@	5¾
Yarns, ℔ bunch of 5 ℔s		@	70
EGGS—℔ dozen	9	@	10
FISH—			
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ barrel	22 00	@	30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ half-bbl	11 00	@	15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, ℔ barrel	16 00	@	18 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ℔ half-bbl	8 00	@	9 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ℔ barrel	13 00	@	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	2 50	@	4 00
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel	5 00	@	6 00
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00	@	3 25
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔	5	@	10
Extra	4 50	@	4 50
FLOUR—℔ ℔			
Low grade		@	3 50
Choice		@	3 75
Straight	4 00	@	4 25
First Patent	4 50	@	5 00
GLUE—℔ ℔		@	8½
GRAIN—℔ bushel—			
Corn, from store, bgs—White	53	@	55
Car-load, in bgs—White		@	50
Oats, from store	40	@	45
Oats, Rust Proof		@	45
Cow Peas	55	@	65
HIDES—℔ ℔			
Green salted		@	6½
Dry flint		@	10
Dry salt		@	9
HAY ℔ 100 ℔s			
Clover Hay	50	@	75
Rice Straw	40	@	45
Eastern		@	70
Western		@	75
North River		@	75
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔	1¾	@	1¾
LARD, ℔ ℔			
Northern	5	@	7
North Carolina	6	@	10½
LIME, ℔ barrel	1 15	@	1 25
LUMBER (city sawed) ℔ M ft—			
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00	@	20 00
Rough edge Plank	15 00	@	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	12 00	@	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	19 00	@	22 00
Scantling and Board, com'n	14 00	@	15 00
Common mill	5 00	@	6 50
Fair mill	6 50	@	8 00
Prime mill	8 50	@	10 00
Extra mill	10 00	@	10 50
MOLASSES ℔ gallon—			
Barbadoes, in hogshead		@	25
Barbadoes, in barrels		@	28
Porto Rico, in hogsheads		@	27
Porto Rico, in barrels		@	28
Sugar House, in hogsheads	12	@	14
Sugar House, in barrels	14	@	15
Syrup, in barrels	15	@	25
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut, 50d basis	1 60	@	1 65
PORK, ℔ barrel—			
City Mess		@	11 00
Rump		@	10 50
Prime		@	10 00
ROPE, ℔ ℔	10	@	12
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum		@	1 10
Liverpool	75	@	80
American	70	@	75
On 125 ℔ Sacks		@	87½
SHINGLES, 7-inch, per M	5 00	@	6 50
Common	1 60	@	2 25
Cypress Saps	3 50	@	3 50
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Gran'd	5⅝	@	5¾
Standard A	5	@	5¼
White Extra C	5	@	5¼
Extra C, Golden	5	@	5¼
C, Yellow		@	4¾
SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern	3½	@	4
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel	6 00	@	14 00
R. O. Hogshead		@	10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping		@	9 00
Mill, Palmo		@	7 00
Mill, Fair		@	6 50
Common Mill		@	5 50
Inferior to ordinary	4 50	@	5 00
SHINGLES, N. C. Cypress sawed	3 00	@	4 00
℔ M 6-inch heart	7 50	@	8 00
" Sap	5 00	@	6 00
5-2 Heart	4 50	@	5 00
" Sap	4 00	@	4 50
6-2 Heart	6 00	@	6 50
" Sap	5 00	@	5 50
TALLOW, ℔ ℔		@	4
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon, Northern	1 90	@	2 00
North Carolina	1 60	@	1 65
WOOL, per ℔—Unwashed	10	@	15

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET

STAR OFFICE, March 18.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.—Market steady at 44 cents per gallon for machine-made casks and 43½ cents per gallon for country casks.

ROSIN—Market firm at 95 cents per barrel for Strained and $1.00 for Good Strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.00 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market quiet at $1.85 per barrel for Hard, $2.40 for Dip, and $2.40 for Virgin.

Quotations same day last year.—Spirits turpentine steady at 29@28½c; rosin steady at $1.25, $1.35; tar steady, 95 cents; crude turpentine, nothing doing.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	12
Rosin	757
Tar	264
Crude turpentine	21

Receipts same day last year.—32 casks spirits turpentine, 388 bbls rosin, 280 bbls tar, 3 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 5 cents per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	3 9-16 cts ℔ lb
Good Ordinary	4 15-16 " "
Low Middling	5 9-16 " "
Middling	6 " "
Good Middling	6 5-16 " "

Same day last year middling 5¾c.

Receipts—53 bales; same day last year, 476.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS — North Carolina — Prime, 55 to 60c per bushel of 28 pounds; extra prime, 65c; fancy, 70c. Virginia—Extra prime 55c; fancy, 60c; Spanish, 80@90c.

CORN—Firm; 45 to 52½ cents per bushel.

ROUGH RICE—Lowland (tide-water) 90c@$1.10; upland, 65@80c. Quotations on a basis of 45 pounds to the bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 9 to 10c per pound; shoulders, 6 to 7c; sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five-inch hearts and saps, $1.60 to 2.25; six-inch, $2.25 to 3.25; seven-inch, $5.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $9.50 to 6.50 per M.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 18.—Money on call was firm at 3@4 per cent., the last loan being at 3 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 3½@4½ per cent. Sterling exchange steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at 485¼@485¾ for demand and 483@483¼ for sixty days. Posted rates 484@484½ and 486. Commercial bills 483½. Silver certificates were nominal at 60@60¼. Bar silver 59 13 16. Mexican dollars 47¼. Government bonds weak. State bonds steady. Railroad bonds weak. U. S. 3's, 107½; U. S. new 4's, registered, 128¼@129; do. coupon, 128¾@129; U. S. 4's 111¾@111½; do. coupon, 112¾@113¼; do. 2's 99½; U. S. 5's, registered, 112@112¾; do. 5's, coupon, 112@112¾; N. C. 6's 130; do. 4's, 104; Southern Railway 5's 105¾. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 69; Chesapeake & Ohio 26½; Manhattan L 104¾; N. Y. Central 132½; Reading 23; do. 1st preferred 65; St. Paul 127½; do. preferred 173; Southern Railway 12¾; do. preferred 48¾; American Tobacco 310; do. preferred 147; People's Gas 118; Sugar 171¾; do. preferred 118½; T. C. & Iron 50¾; U. S. Leather 6¾; do. preferred 71¾; Western Union 94½.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 18.—Rosin steady; strained common to good $1 35. Spirits turpentine firm at 47½@48c.

CHARLESTON, March 18.—Spirits turpentine firm at 44c asked; no sales. Rosin steady and unchanged; no sales.

SAVANNAH, March 18.—Spirits turpentine firm at 44½c; sales 126 casks; receipts 213 casks. Rosin firm and unchanged; sales 1,230 barrels; receipts 3,144 barrels.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 18.—The cotton market opened steady with prices one to three points higher. The improvement was due to a rather better average to the English news than was expected, to reports that general rains in the Mississippi valley had again brought field work to a halt, and the fair covering by local shorts. The long contingent continued their liquidating methods, seeing nothing in the immediate future to encourage a further wait; on the other hand receipts gave promise of being generous, and the prospects were quite favorable for a change in weather conditions for the better. Private dispatches stated that Southern markets were apathetic, with a declining tendency under increased offerings. New England cloth markets were reported very firm, but quiet, at unchanged prices. Late in the forenoon the futures market went off several points under a spurt of liquidation, and closed easy, with prices two to seven points net lower.

NEW YORK, March 18.—Cotton quiet; middling uplands 6 5 16c.

Cotton futures market closed easy; March 5.99c, April 5.96, May 6.00c, June 6.02c, July 6.05c, August 6.05c, September 6.00c, October 6.00c, November 5.98c, December 6.02c; January 6.05c.

Spot cotton closed quiet, and 1-16c lower; middling uplands 6 5-16c; middling gulf 6 9-16c; no sales.

Net receipts 408 bales; gross receipts 3,034 bales; sales — bales; stock 133,511 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 16,259 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,483 bales; exports to the Continent 1,662 bales; stock 767,042 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 16,259 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,483 bales; exports to France 646,904 bales; exports to the Continent 2,283,350 bales.

March 17.—Galveston, quiet at 6⅝c, net receipts 2,674 bales; Norfolk, quiet at 6c, net receipts 976 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 6½c, net receipts — bales; Boston, easy at 6¾c, net receipts 621 bales; Wilmington, firm at 6c, net receipts 61 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 6 9-16c, net receipts 169 bales; Savannah, easy at 5 13-16c, net receipts 2,007 bales; New Orleans, weak at 6 13-16c, net receipts 8,557 bales; Mobile, nominal at 5¾, net receipts 52 bales; Memphis, steady at 6c, net receipts 2,971 bales; Augusta, quiet at 6¾c, net receipts 304 bales; Charleston, steady at 5¾c, net receipts 733 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 18.—Flour was quiet but firmer; winter patents $3 60@3 85. Wheat—Spot firmer; No. 2 red 79¾c; options opened stronger and were sustained all the morning by a demand from shorts, impelled by higher cables and unfavorable weather news; closed firm at ½@1c net advance—No. 2 red March closed 78c; May closed 72¾c; July closed 71¼c. Corn—Spot firm; No. 2, 41¼@43c; options opened firm; trade was quiet but the steady cables and rain news held prices steady; market closed firm at ¼@½c net advance; May closed 39¾c; July closed 39¼c. Oats—Spot steady; No. 2, 31½c; options dull. Lard quiet; Western steam $5 50; March $5 52½, nominal; refined steady. Pork dull; mess $9 00@9 50; short clear $10 50@12 50; family $10 25@10 75. Butter firmer; Western creamery 15@21c; do. factory 12@14½c; Elgins 21c; imitation creamery 13½@17½c; State dairy 14@19½. Cheese firm

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CHILDREN'S COLUMN.

THE SWANPAN.

Description of This Ingenious Calculating Machine.

The device known as the swanpan is a small counting table used by the Chinese to facilitate numerical calculations. The Chinese have no figures, nor any equivalent for them, but they have made use of the swanpan for many centuries. The merchants and manufacturers are usually very expert in making calculations, but the laboring classes are, as a rule, ignorant of the simplest arithmetical operations and employ the swanpan in computing even a small amount.

It is an ingenious little instrument, divided into two compartments, an upper and a lower, and the compartments are crossed by slender bamboo rods, tightly stretched twine, or, more frequently, by iron wires. Two small balls are strung on each rod or wire in the upper compartment and five on each wire in the lower compartment.

The principal use of the upper set of balls is to double the numerical value of the lower ones. The balls on the first wire to the right represent units, the next tens, the next hundreds, the next thousands, and so on in tenfold progression.

By thus using the swanpan any sum expressed in figures may be shown by the movable balls with accuracy and surprising rapidity. Chinese accountants become so expert in using the device that, even in large commercial transactions, they can compute the sum total in less time than it would take to write down the figures.

In its construction and use the swanpan closely resembles the abacus, a calculating machine used in mercantile transactions by the ancient Greeks and Romans. "Abacus Pythagoricus" was anciently a name for the multiplication table.

In our modern schools a kind of swanpan or abacus is frequently used for teaching small children addition and multiplication. It usually consists of a frame with 12 wires running through it and 12 beads or small balls on each wire.—Philadelphia Times.

The Smallest Policeman.

The smallest and youngest policeman in the world is Claude H. Shipley, 4½ years old, a Chicago boy who has been duly enrolled in the police department and has

his post in front of a big steel mill of which his father is superintendent. He does not patrol on wet days. He carries a club and wears the regulation police badge, a star.

Mutual Lessons.

Miss Dox, a teacher in New Mexico, once gave an interesting account of her first lesson to pupils who did not understand one word of English, while their teacher did not understand one word of Spanish. Miss Dox hung an illustrated chart on the mud walls and pointed to the picture of a cat. Then she pointed to the word in English and pronounced it. They took the hint and said it after her, "cat." Then they all laughed to think that an English word had been spoken. After that by various motions she made them undertand that she would like to learn Spanish, so they gave her the cat's name in Spanish, and she pronounced it. Then they shouted with delight. And this was the first lesson.

On Duty.

Said Mildred Dusie Jones to Dick:
"This is no ordinary trick
That any mongrel cur might do.
I've made a soldier out of you,
And you must stand up straight and still
And never move a bit until
I say, 'Ground arms!' and 'March in line!'
Or else you are no dog of mine.

"Then when your drilling is complete
You'll have this bit of cheese to eat,
But first you'll have to wash, you know,
For soldiers always manage so.
Now don't you whine! Who ever heard
A soldier say a pleading word
Or saw him tilt his ears that way?
I'm quite ashamed of you, I say!"
—Chicago Record.

A Queen's Greatest Treasure.

"Like all children," Professor J. H. Gore says in The Ladies' Home Journal, "Wilhelmina has had her favorite playthings. On her first visit to Switzerland this demure little lady was seen carrying a small handbag, and when she declined to intrust this precious burden to any one else some thought it must contain her birthright to the throne of the Netherlands or its regal crown. But it contained neither. In it was her pet doll, whom she was taking with her to enjoy the summer vacation."

Cutting His Hair.

Dollie has a baby brother who has been ill with the coming through of his first tooth. The baldness of brother's head has caused Dollie great anxiety. She stood at mother's knee one day gently patting the little head. "Be careful, Dollie," said mother. "You know poor little brother is sick.—He's cutting his teeth." Dollie reflected. "Mamma," she said, "is it going to make him sick when he cuts his hair?"

Why He Felt Bad.

"Good morning, Jasper! I am very sorry to hear of your domestic trouble."

"Wha' sorter trebble dat, sah?"

"Why, I mean the trouble in your home affairs. I am told that your wife has run away from you. Is it a fact?"

"'Deed, it ar', sah!"

"Of course you feel very bad about it?"

"Yaas, sir. De way de marter stan at de presen' time, sah, I feels mighty bad."

"At the present time? What do you mean by that?"

"I mean, sah, dat she hain' had time yit ter go fur 'nough ter make de ole man feel sho' dat she hain' comin back."—Richmond Dispatch.

Foolish Trouble.

"I see that a young wife has been arrested for putting paris green into a pie which she had made for her husband."

"Yes, I noticed it. It was very foolish of a young wife to use paris green if she wanted to get rid of her husband."

"Why?"

"The pie itself ought to have been sufficient."—London Quiver.

Not a Great Risk.

Clara—We've had a terrible fight, and it's all broken off.

Maude—Do you think there is any hope of a reconciliation?

"Oh, yes! I am so confident that I have sent back all his presents."—London Fun.

A BOY AND AN ORANGE.

Laurence Hutton Tells How He Succumbed to a Temptation In His Youth.

The boy was taught, from the earliest awakening of his reasoning powers, that truth was to be told and to be respected and that nothing was more wicked or more ungentlemanly than a broken promise. He learned very early to do as he was told and not to do, under any consideration, what he had said he would not do. Upon this last point he was strictly conscientious, although once, literally, he "beat about the bush." His Aunt Margaret, always devoted to plants and to flowers, had, on the back stoop of his grandfather's house, a little grove of orange and lemon trees in pots. Some one of these was usually in fruit or in flower, and the fruit to the boy was a great temptation. He was very fond of oranges, and it seemed to him that a "homemade" orange, which he had never tasted, must be much better than a grocer's orange, as homemade cake was certainly preferable even to the wonderful cakes made by the professional Mrs. Milderberger.

He watched those little green oranges from day to day as they gradually grew big and yellow in the sun. He promised faithfully that he would not pick any, but he had a notion that some of them might drop off. He never shook the trees, because he said he would not. But he shook the stoop, and he hung about the bush, which he was too honest to beat. One unusually tempting orange, which he had known from its budhood, finally overcame him. He did not pick it off, he did not shake it off. He compromised with his conscience by lying flat on his back and biting off a piece of it. It was not a very good action, nor was it a good orange, and for that reason, perhaps, he went home immediately and told on himself. He told his mother. He did not tell his Aunt Margaret.

His mother did not seem to be as much shocked at his conduct as he was. But in her own quaint way she gave him to understand that promises were not made to be cracked any more than they were made to be broken—that he had been false to himself in heart, if not in deed, and that he must go back and make it "all right" with his Aunt Margaret. She did not seem to be very much shocked either; he could not tell why. But they punished the boy. They made him eat the rest of the orange.

He lost all subsequent interest in that tropical glade, and he has never cared much for domestic oranges since.—"A Boy I Knew," by Laurence Hutton, in St. Nicholas.

EUGENE FIELD'S HOME.

His Many Queer Clocks and His Library of Rare Books.

One should not always judge a man by his house, but in the case of Eugene Field it seemed as if his house were a part of him. It is an old fashioned two story farmhouse with a wide porch, to which has been added a large circular wing with an outside chimney such as the southerners love. As you enter the hall you notice an elaborately ornamented old English tall clock of the kind usually known in this country as "grandfather's clock." It is one of three such clocks in the house; a second stands on a stair landing, after the manner of Longfellow's "Old Clock On the Stair," and a third was in Eugene Field's sleeping room. The last one has a gong in it like a country dinner bell and clangs the hour with a loud metallic ring.

In the same room he had a "freak clock" made entirely of wood, that ticks like a hammer striking hard wood. In the library there is a quaint little one made with a seesaw—a wee boy and girl sitting upon a log to regulate the pendulum. This is a very well behaved little piece of mechanism, as it makes no noise and is really pretty. Contrasted with it, standing near Field's writing table, is a plain New England kitchen clock such as our grandmothers used in their light, airy kitchens. It is a medium sized affair of mahogany with a glass door, on the lower half of which are painted impossible red roses and forgetmenots. It is a good old domestic clock, and went on faithfully ticking away when the others were cranky and would not keep the time regularly.

As you enter the house the library is on the left hand. All around the walls of the room are bookcases. Suppose we look at the case beyond the window, which might be called the fairy corner. Here are gathered books of fairy lore from all parts of the world, for there was hardly an old bookstore in London, Paris or Berlin which Mr. Field did not know well. In this wonderful fairy corner are Cossack fairy tales, eastern fairy tales, legends of the French provinces, legends of Ireland, Norway, Germany, Spain, New England and all the modern English fairy stories.—Mary J. Reid and Henrietta Dexter Field in St. Nicholas.

THE INCANDESCENT LIGHT.

Some of the Curious and Commonplace Uses to Which It Is Put.

Incandescent electric lights are used to illuminate the eyes of mounted animals—bears, tigers and lions—shown by furriers. Here obviously a light with a flame would not do, while the incandescent light answers the purpose well and conveniently. The wire is run from the head down through the animal's body and out through one of its feet to a connection with the service wire of the store.

Incandescent lights are used in refrigerators, such as the iceboxes of the wholesale dealer in cut flowers and the butcher. Their use in sidewalk show cases is familiar; in dressing show windows the flexible connection admits of placing the light where it is wanted with each new trimming of the window.

They are used in electric signs, some of which are permanent, while others are formed of letters that are movable, like types, so that the sign can be readily changed as often as may be desired. Electric numbers are made in the same way.

One may see a painter at work at night in a store, paint brush in one hand and electric light—with the wire trailing away back of him—in the other, to enable him to see the better in some nook or cranny that he is painting.

The incandescent lamp is used to light sidewalk awnings. The lamps are strung along a wire hung under the ridge pole inside the awning. The wire and lamps are simply taken in when the awning is. Movable billboards are illuminated in the same manner.—New York Sun.

Egyptian Railway Methods.

The officials on the Egyptian railways are for the most part Arabs, who remind one of the amorous individual in "The House That Jack Built"—men all tattered and torn. They are very proud of their badge of office—a tin disk strapped to the arm. Their idea of "tips" from the passengers is anything but modest. They pester you for backsheesh and expect 3 or 4 shillings for the most trifling service.

Had Them Guessing.

Subeditor—How is Pennington on spelling anyway?

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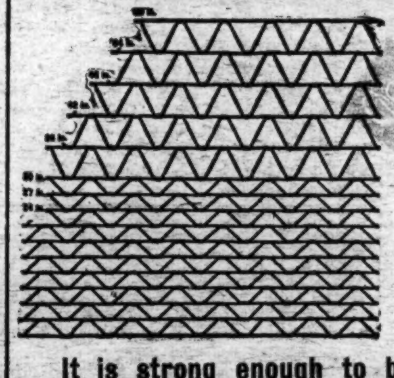

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Train 41—Leaves Portsmouth 9:20 A. M., arrives Weldon 11:43 A. M., Raleigh 2:36 P. M., Sanford 3:05 P. M., Hamlet 5:55 P. M., Wadesboro 8:10 P. M., Monroe 9:12 P. M., Charlotte 10:25 P. M., and Atlanta 5:20 A. M.

Train 38—Leaves Atlanta 9:50 P. M. Leaves Charlotte 5:00 A. M. Arrives Monroe 5:45 A. M., Wadesboro 6:51 A. M., Hamlet 7:48 A. M., Sanford 9:52 A. M., Raleigh 11:13 A. M., Weldon 2:50 P. M., Portsmouth 5:20 P. M.

Train 38—Leaves Hamlet 8:20 A. M. Arrives Laurinburg 8:46 A. M., Maxton 9:05 A. M., Pembroke 9:31 A. M., Lumberton 9:53 A. M., Wilmington 12.05 noon.

Train 403—Leaves Washington 5:00 P. M., Richmond 9:00 P. M., Portsmouth 8:45 P. M., Weldon 11:10 P. M. Arrives Raleigh 2:14 A. M., Sanford 3:33 A. M., Hamlet 5:07 A. M., Wadesboro 6:01 A. M., Monroe 6:53 A. M., Charlotte 8:00 A. M., Atlanta 2:50 P. M.

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Train 18—Leaves Hamlet 7:15 P. M. Arrives Gibson 8:10 P. M. Returning, leaves Gibson 6:50 A. M. Arrives Hamlet 7.40 A. M.

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South Bound Daily No. 52.	MAIN LINE.	North Bound Daily No. 53.
6 50 p m	Ar......Wilmington......Lv	8 50 a m
3 55 p m	Lv......Fayetteville......Ar	11 59 a m
3 50 p m	Ar......Fayetteville......Lv	12 20 p m
2 30 p m	Lv......Sanford......Lv	1 43 p m
12 42 p m	Lv......Climax......Lv	3 44 p m
12 13 p m	Lv......Greensboro......Ar	4 15 p m
11 55 a m	Ar......Greensboro......Lv	4 25 p m
11 07 a m	Lv......Stokesdale......Lv	5 12 p m
10 36 a m	Lv......Walnut Cove......Lv	5 44 p m
10 09 a m	Lv......Rural Hall......Lv	6 13 p m
8 45 a m	Lv......Mt. Airy......Ar	7 35 p m

South Bound Daily No. 62.	BENNETTSVILLE.	North Bound Daily No. 63.
8 00 a m	Lv......Bennettsville......Ar	7 15 p m
9 07 a m	Lv......Maxton......Lv	6 15 p m
9 35 a m	Lv......Red Springs......Lv	5 35 p m
10 20 a m	Lv......Hope Mills......Lv	4 52 p m
10 40 a m	Ar......Fayetteville......Lv	4 33 p m

No. 46 South Bound Mixed Daily ex. Sunday.	MADISON BRANCH.	No. 47. North Bound Mixed Daily ex. Sunday.
5 30 p m	Ar......Ramseur......Lv	6 40 a m
3 50 p m	Lv......Climax......Ar	8 25 a m
2 40 p m	Lv......Greensboro......Ar	9 17 a m
2 30 p m	Ar......Greensboro......Lv	9 35 a m
1 15 p m	Lv......Stokesdale......Lv	11 07 a m
12 30 p m	Lv......Madison......Ar	11 55 a m

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DAILY 9.45 A. M. — No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.19 A. M., Warsaw 11.33 A. M., Goldsboro 12.26 P. M., Wilson 1.16 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.53 P. M., Tarboro 2.31 P. M., Weldon 4.33 P. M., Petersburg 6.21 P. M., Richmond 7.20 P. M., Norfolk 5.55 P. M., Washington 11.30 P. M., Baltimore 1.00 A. M., Philadelphia 3.50 A. M., New York 6.53 A. M., †Boston 3.00 P. M.

DAILY 7.00 P. M. — No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.34 P. M., Warsaw 8.48 P. M., Goldsboro 9.45 P. M., Wilson 10.38 P. M., †Tarboro 7.04 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.35 P. M., Weldon 12.59 A. M., †Norfolk 10.35 A. M., Petersburg 2.35 A. M., Richmond 3.28 A. M., Washington 7.01 A. M., Baltimore 8.23 A. M., Philadelphia 10.35 A. M., New York 1.03 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.25 P. M. — No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.13 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY 3.45 P. M. — No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.56 P. M., Chadbourn 5.28 P. M., Marion 6.34 P. M., Florence 7.15 P. M., Sumter 8.57 P. M., Columbia 10.20 P. M., Denmark 6.12 A. M., Augusta 7.55 A. M., Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M., Charleston 10.30 P. M., Savannah 1.50 A. M., Jacksonville 7.30 A. M., St. Augustine 10.30 A. M., Tampa 6.05 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 5.50 P. M. — No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.03 P. M., New York *9.00 P. M., Philadelphia 12.05 A. M., Baltimore 2.50 A. M., Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 10.00 A. M., Norfolk 9.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.00 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.21 P. M., Warsaw 4.13 P. M., Magnolia 4.25 P. M.

DAILY 9.40 A. M. — No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.30 A. M., Philadelphia 12.09 P. M., Baltimore 2.25 P. M., Washington 3.46 P. M., Richmond 7.30 P. M., Petersburg 8.12 P. M., †Norfolk 2.20 P. M., Weldon 9.43 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 5.40 A. M. Leave Wilson 6.20 A. M., Goldsboro 7.01 A. M., Warsaw 7.56 A. M., Magnolia 8.09 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. — No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.26 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 1.25 P. M. — No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 8.10 A. M., Sanford 3.07 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.45 A. M., Charleston 6.33 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M., Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.17 P. M., Columbia 6.50 A. M., Sumter 8.15 P. M., Florence 10.00 A. M., Marion 10.40 A. M., Chadbourn 11.44 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.13 A. M.

†Daily except Sunday.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.55 P. M., Halifax 4.15 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.08 P. M., Greenville 6.57 P. M., Kinston 7.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M., Greenville 8.52 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.18 A. m., Weldon 11.33 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.20 A. M. and 2.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 A. M. and 6.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 11.00 A. M. and 7.20 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7.50 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10.05 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Train on Midland N. C. Branch leaves Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7.05 A. M.; arrives Smithfield, N. C., 8.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 9.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 10.25 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 9.30 A. M., 3.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 10.10 A. M., 4.03 P. M., Spring Hope 10.40 A. M., 4.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.00 A. M., 4.55 P. M., Nashville 11.22 A. M.; 5.25 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 11.45 A. M., 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton, daily except Sunday, at 11.40 A. M. and 4.15 P. M. Returning, leave Clinton at 7.00 A. M. and 3.00 P. M.

Florence Railroad leave Pee Dee 10.12 A. M., arrive Latta 10.32 A. M., Dillon 10.44 A. M., Rowland 11.01 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 6.00 P. M.; arrives Dillon 6.20 P. M., Latta 6.35 P. M., Pee Dee 7.00 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Hub at 3.00 P. M., Chadbourn 5.35 P. M.; arrive Conway 7.40 P. M.; leave Conway 8.30 A. M., Chadbourn 11.20 A. M.; arrive Hub 12.25 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Central of South Carolina Railroad leave Sumter 5.13 P. M., Manning 5.41 P. M.; arrive Lane's 6.17 P. M.; leave Lane's 8.34 A. M., Manning 9.09 A. M.; arrive Sumter 9.40 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 9.30 A. M., 7.40 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 12.00 M., 9.00 P. M.; leave Georgetown 7.00 A. M.; 3.30 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.25 A. M.; 5.55 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Cheraw and Darlington Railroad leave Florence daily except Sunday at 9.50 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M., Cheraw 11.30 A. M., Wadesboro 2.25 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 7.55 P. M.; arrive Darlington 8.20 P. M., Hartsville — P. M., Bennettsville 9.15 P. M., Gibson 9.45 P. M. Leave Florence Sunday only 9.20 A. M., arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M.

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday at 6.45 A. M., Bennettsville 7.10 A. M.; arrive Darlington 8.09 A. M. Leave Darlington 8.50 A. M.; arrive Florence 9.15 A. M. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 3.00 P. M., Cheraw 4.45 P. M., Hartsville 2.15 P. M., Darlington 6.29 P. M.; arrive Florence 7.00 P. M. Leave Darlington Sunday only at 8.50 A. M., arrive Florence 9.15 A. M.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 1.58 P. M., 11.15 P. M., arrive Selma 2.50 P. M., 12.01 P. M., Smithfield 3.09 P. M., Dunn 3.40 P. M., Fayetteville 4.25 P. M., 1.10 A. M., Rowland 6.00 P. M., returning leave Rowland 11.01 A. M., Fayetteville 12.25 P. M., 9.40 P. M., Dunn 12.25 P. M., Smithfield 1.48 P. M. Selma 1.50 P. M., 10.55 P. M., arrive Wilson 1.06 P. M., 11.59 A. M.

Manchester & Augusta R. R. trains leave Sumter 4.29 A. M., Creston 5.17 A. M., arrive Denmark 9.12 A. M. Returning, leave Denmark 4.17 P. M., Creston 5.13 P. M., Sumter 6.03 P. M. Daily.

Pregnalls Branch train leaves Creston 5.45 A. M., arrives Pregnalls 9.15 A. M. Returning, leaves Pregnalls 10.00 A. M., arrives Creston 3.50 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Bishopville Branch trains leave Elliott 10.35 A. M., and arrive Lucknow 12.25 P. M. Returning, leave Lucknow 2.30 P. M., arrive 4.10 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

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Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad

Time Table No. 3.

To Take Effect Sunday, Nov. 28, 1897, at 12 M.

GOING EAST. GOING WEST.

3 Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	3 Pass'g'r Trains Leave	STATIONS.	4 Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	4 Pass'g'r Trains Leave
[illegible]	[illegible]		A. M.	A. M.
[illegible]	[illegible] 40	Goldsboro	11 05	....
......	4 32	Kinston	10 12	....
5 35	5 45	Newbern	8 57	9 10
6 57	7 02	Morehead City.	7 42	7 47
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.35 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with [illegible] at Newbern for Wilmington and inter[illegible] points.

Train 3 connects with South[illegible] arriving at Goldsboro 3.00 P[illegible] W. train from the North [illegible] train also connects with W. [illegible] ton and intermediate points.

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The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUNDAY MORNING, MARCH 19.

POLITICAL GOSSIP AT THOMASVILLE, GA.

Jekyl Island Said to be Soon the Scene of an Important Conference of Republican Leaders.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

THOMASVILLE, GA., March 18.—Thomasville, for the first time since the President's visit, was rife with political gossip to-day. Jekyl Island, speculation ran, was to be the scene of an important political gathering, where the future course of the Republican party would be gone over and settled, far from the public and the press and shielded from intrusion by the strict enforcement of the no-trespassing regulations of the rich club which controls its destinies. The sudden appearance of Speaker Reed at Jekyl Island, the authoritative announcement that President McKinley, Vice President Hobart and Senator Hanna would make their trip there on Monday, and the visit of Judge Day, formerly Secretary of State, to Thomasville, though absolutely mere coincidences, according to those gentleman named who are here, revived at once recollections of the important part in national history born of the Thomasville conferences four years ago. The conferences now, said the gossip, were to be transferred to Jekyl island, the scene chosen was suggestive of the times when kings met on craft in mid-stream to settle the destinies of empires.

The President Surprised.

It is fair to say, at the outset, that Senator Hanna, Vice President Hobart and President McKinley himself, say positively that there is no politics whatever in their present visit South and that it is undertaken solely for rest and recuperation. As to Speaker Reed's presence at Jekyl, both Senator Hanna and Vice President Hobart said that they did not know the speaker was there until they saw the papers. The latter, before the arrival of the papers, was so positive the speaker was not to be at Jekyl island, that when a newspaper man told him Mr. Reed was to be there, he promptly bet him a suit of clothes that Speaker Reed was not at Jekyl and would not be at Jekyl Island. The news, it was evident, was also surprising to others in the President's party, who ordinarily would have heard of it had there been any anticipatory comment about the house on the subject. As regards Judge Day, he is not going to Jekyl and probably will be out of Thomasville on the way home by the time the President returns. There is, nevertheless, a possibility that the Jekyl Island trip, though not so intended perhaps by its principals, may have an important political bearing. It may prove to be the reconciliation ground of

President McKinley and Speaker Reed.

That their relations are strained and development of party policy in legislation is hindered thereby is a matter of common report. Judge Moore, whose guest Speaker Reed is, and Cornelius N. Bliss, who asked President McKinley and party to visit him, are common friends of all parties, personally and politically, and through them harmonious fellowship may again prevail between the two foremost Republicans.

If the Jekyl Island trip has any political outcome it will be this. Should this consummation come, it is quite likely that neither the Speaker nor the President would have been privy to its inception for knowledge by them of such an ulterior hope by their hosts would have prevented its accomplishment. This view is entirely consistent with the statements of the principal persons who will be there, for they declare absolutely that politics cut no figure in the trip and their denials were in no sense technical but broad and comprehensive. Judge Day arrived in Thomasville at 2.40 this afternoon. He went at once to the Piney Woods Hotel, and he and Mrs. Day being tired retired for an hour or so. His cheeks were tanned and he seemed to have gained a little flesh.

Judge Day Talks.

Late in the afternoon, to an Associated Press correspondent, Mr. Day said: "We are working our way north from Palm Beach and, hearing Thomasville was a fine place, we decided to stop here and pay our respects to the President. I wanted to see him, and Mrs. Day wanted to see Mrs. McKinley. Yes, you will be safe in saying positively that neither politics or international affairs are in any way connected with our visit. We are only here to pay our respects to the President and enjoy ourselves."

Judge Day said that he was not going to Jekyl Island and would leave here for the North the early part of next week.

Senator Hanna's Denial.

Senator Hanna had learned of his arrival and called as the Associated Press correspondent was talking to Judge Day.

The Senator, when told of the reports that there was to be a big political pow-wow at Jekyl island with Speaker Reed and others, said: "It is silly business talking about political conferences on this trip. It is for rest and nothing else. I wish they would let up talking about politics being in it. The Vice President had the grip and is run down, and I mean to keep him here as long as I stay. Mr. McKinley's nerves were worn out with the strain. He needed to brace up. These drives about here and the quiet life are just building him right up. You see how much better he is. No, the trip to Jekyl Island has nothing to do with politics. We would not come way down here to talk politics. Yes, I see Speaker Reed is at Jekyl, but it has nothing to do with our trip."

THE BANISHED TOLBERTS.

Two of the Participants in [illegible] South Carolina Election Trouble Return to Greenwood.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

COLUMBIA, S. C., March 18.—The Tol[illegible] who have been under banishment for their part in the Phœnix election last November, have defeated the efficacy of Governor Ellerbee's proclamation calling upon the people of Abbeville and Greenwood counties to afford them protection and permit them to return to their homes. Thomas P. Tolbert, who was one of the most active participants in the trouble and who was hunted down, but managed to escape, has gone back to Abbeville county, while James W., the postmaster at McCormick, has also returned. So far they have been permitted to resume their vocation without any demonstration against them. A correspondent, writing from the disturbed section says: "The conservative citizens will do everything to avert trouble, but there is no need to disguise the fact that a very large proportion of the people of this section are decidedly averse to allowing the Tolbert is to remain, and there is much apprehension for their safety."

A SERIES OF TERRIFIC STORMS.

Swept Through Portions of Alabama, Mississippi and Kansas.

KILLED A NUMBER OF PEOPLE

Many Injured—Dwellings, School Buildings and Churches Demolished — Enormous Damage—Town in Arkansas Practically Destroyed.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

MEMPHIS, TENN., March 18.—A series of terrific wind storms swept through portions of Alabama, Mississippi and Arkanses to day, doing an immense amount of property damage and killing a number of people. The storms covered a radius of several hundred miles, destroying telegraph wires and cutting off communication with a large part of the affected country. Cleburne county, Alabama, seems to have suffered the most severely, the storm there assuming the proportions of a tornado. The reports of fatalities in the county vary from six to twenty, and many more are said to have been injured.

At Sellers and Luvern, Ala., much damage is reported, and at Rob Roy, Ark., one man was killed and several badly injured. Dumas, Ark., was practically wiped out of existence, and several other towns in the vicinity suffered severely. One person is reported killed at Hickory Flat, Miss., and as the farm houses in the vicinity suffered heavily, it is not unlikely that many fatalities occurred which have not yet been reported.

The Storm in Alabama.

MONTGOMERY, ALA., March 18.—A cyclone passed over different portions of the State to day, but on account of the telegraph wires being down no particulars can be learned. At Selma, the spire of the First Methodist Church was blown down, crushing through the roof and doing much damage.

At Sellers, a small station on the Plant system, south of Montgomery, the entire town except three houses was destroyed.

Luvern suffered greatly but no details can be gotten.

BIRMINGHAM, March 18.—A passenger on the Southern train which left Atlanta at 4 P. M., confirms the news of the cyclone. It was told him by citizens of Edwardsville. It is said a house near there in which twelve persons lived was wrecked and nine out of the twelve killed. Another passenger said he had heard that seven more were killed near Heflin.

In Mississippi.

HICKORY, FLAT, MISS., March 18.—A tornado struck this place to-day doing considerable damage to buildings and other property. The school building and two churches were demolished and twenty-five dwellings blown down or unroofed. Several persons received painful injuries. A family living west of here lost their dwelling and a young lady, name as yet unknown, was killed. Trees were torn up by the roots, twisted off like reeds, and all fencing in path of the cyclone was levelled to the ground. On some farms near here hardly a building was left standing. Doubtless other fatalities will be reported, but news is meagre. The course of the storm was from southwest to northeast and the track was nearly half a mile wide.

In Arkansas.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK., March 18.—A tornado passed through portions of Jefferson and Desha counties this afternoon. Telegraph wires are prostrated and the details are coming in slowly.

At Rob Roy, five houses were blown down and one man was killed.

At Dumas nearly all the houses in the town were blown down or damaged and several persons were wounded, but so far as has been learned no lives were lost. There are several small towns in this section through which the storm passed and as yet no news has been received from any of them.

BRYAN IN KNOXVILLE.

Met on Arrival by Several Hundred Democrats—His Lecture—Banquet in His Honor.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

KNOXVILLE, KY., March 18.—Col. W. J. Bryan arrived here this morning at 8 o'clock. He was met at the passenger station by several hundred Democrats who had assembled despite the terrible rainfall. The rain continued throughout the day and night. This morning at eleven o'clock Colonel Bryan was joined by Governor Banton McMillan, of Tennessee. The two held a public reception in the womans' building. This afternoon they were entertained at dinner by L. H. Spilman. Sixteen Democrats and one Republican assembled around the festal board. Mr. Spilman and Colonel Bryan were boys together in Salem, Ill., and later were friends in Chicago.

To-night Colonel Bryan deliverd his lecture on "Pending Problems," in the large public hall of this city. He was heard by fifteen hundred people After the lecture he was entertained at a banquet as the guest of Knoxville Democrats. He responded to a toast, "The Democracy of Jefferson, Jackson and Bryan."

This morning Colonel Bryan received a telegram from a Cincinnati newspaper asking for an expression in reply to Bob Ingersoll's criticism that Bryan is a back number and has no political future. Colonel Bryan's telegraph reply was that he did not regard Colonel Ingersoll as a capable authority to speak of his eligibility for the back number list, nor upon his prospect for the future, as Colonel Ingersoll does not believe in a future. Colonel Bryan will celebrate his thirty-eighth birthday here to-morrow as the guest of his cousin, Mrs. Easter, wife of Rev. Dr. Henry D. Easter, an Episcopal rector of this city.

U. S. CRUISER RALEIGH.

Exchanged Salutes With Spanish Squadron Near Gibraltar.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

GIBRALTAR, March 18.—As the United States cruiser Raleigh sailed from here for New York this afternoon, homeward bound from Manila, to be put out of commission, she hoisted the Spanish ensign and fired a salute while passing the Spanish squadron, commanded by Admiral Camara, off Algeciras. The Spanish flagship Carlos Quinta thereupon hoisted the American ensign and returned the salute.

General Miles has received a dispatch dated Ponce, Porto Rico, stating that ex-Secretary Sherman is very much better.

MORE FIGHTING NEAR MANILA.

The Filipinos Repulsed—Oregon Arrived. General Otis Preparing for an Aggressive Movement.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

MANILA, March 19, 8.30 A. M.—The Filipinos in force attacked a company of the Washington volunteers at Taguig last night. Two companies of the Washington and Oregon volunteers were sent to the assistance of their comrades and drove the rebels back in front of the Twenty-second regulars, who also engaged the enemy. Two American soldiers were killed and an officer and thirteen privates were wounded. The enemy's loss was severe.

An attack was made by the rebels yesterday upon the battery at Loma church, but the enemy were repulsed by the Pennsylvanians with heavy loss. Lieutenant Thompson and Privates McVry and McCanse, of Company C, were wounded.

A gunboat, with a company of the Twenty-third regulars on board, is now on the lake, attacking the small towns. She was last heard of off Morong and Santa Cruz.

Battleship Oregon Arrives.

WASHINGTON, March 18.—The Navy Department has been advised of the arrival at Manila of the battleship Oregon. The following is the cablegram, received from Admiral Dewey: "The Oregon and the Iris arrived today. The Oregon is in fit condition for any duty."

Batteries Ordered to Manila.

The light batteries which have been ordered to Manila are Battery E, First artillery, now at Jefferson barracks, Mo.; Battery F, Fourth artillery, now at Fort Adams, and Battery F, Fifth artillery, now at Fort Hamilton.

Otis Planning Another Blow.

WASHINGTON, March 18.—General Otis is planning another blow at the insurgents in execution of his general scheme of hastening the ending of the rebellion in Luzon before the advent of the rainy season. The fact appeared quite incidentally in a cablegram received from him, in which he replied to an inquiry from the War Department relative to the discharge of the volunteer soldiers serving in his army.

The Island of Cebu.

MANILA, March 19.—The island of Cebu has been made a sub-district under Lieutenant Colonel Hamer, of the First Idaho volunteers. The other officers are Captain Willard T. Wood, of the Tenth regulars, collector of customs, and Lieutenant Thomas F. Schley, of the Twenty-third, port captain.

TROOPS TO LEAVE CUBA.

Great Efforts Being Made to Have the Volunteer Regiments Landed Before April First.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 18.—The President has become interested in having the volunteer troops in Cuba hurried out of the island before there is any danger of infection from yellow fever. He has given very positive instructions to the War Department upon the matter, and the quartermaster's department is making a great effort to secure transports and have them ready to embark troops within a few days. It is desirable to have all the troops destined for Southern camps landed in the United States before April 1st, when the quarantine regulations of the South will make it very difficult to get the men into this country. The quartermaster's department has started several transports for Cuba which have not been in service of late. Arrangements have been made with the Ward Line steamers to carry troops to the United States and the Plant Line steamers have been secured for the same purpose. General Humphrey, chief quartermaster at Havana, has been ordered to prepare the volunteers for embarkation so that there will be no delay when the ships arrive. Where it is practicable, the troops will be inspected and the baggage fumigated before leaving Cuba. The quartermaster's department has been working in conjunction with Surgeon General Wyman, of the Marine Hospital service, who is doing what he can to overcome the difficulties of quarantine inspection in the United States.

THE PARIS PEACE TREATY.

M. Cambon, the French Ambassador, Will Act As the Representative of Spain.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 18.—M. Cambon, the French ambassador, called at the Department of State to-day and served formal notice of the signing of the peace treaty at Madrid.

It was agreed upon that the ambassador should act as the representative of the Spanish government in making final exchanges, while Secretary Hay will represent the government of the United States. Although not customary on such occasions, it is probable that President McKinley will be present at the final ceremony of exchanging ratifications, which in that case will take place at the White House, where the peace protocol was signed.

It was said at the State Department that the Spanish government requested that M. Cambon's services as its agent be accepted; the French government gave its authorization and his designation was ratifying to our government.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

Heavy Business—Prices Well Sustained. Prints Cloths Strong.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 18.—The week's business in dry goods has been a heavy one. Sellers reported well sustained prices and a good demand at the closing to-day. Jobbers have done a steady and apparently well distributed business in both staple and fancy goods. The cotton goods commission men say that the week has been a good one. There were sales of both bleached and brown goods amounting to considerable sums. The export trade has continued heavy during the week, far Eastern markets having been represented in the buying. Print cloths have sold less freely than heretofore. The market is unusually strong, extras being generally obtainable at the quoted prices of 2¾c. The sales of prints were quite heavy during the week.

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THE HOTEL FIRE IN NEW YORK.

No Bodies Were Taken Yesterday from the Seething Mass of Ruins.

APPALLING LOSS OF LIFE.

Latest Estimate is Sixteen Dead, Sixty-six Missing and Fifty-seven Injured. Work of Recovering Bodies Will Probably Begin To-day.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 18.—Through the incessant rain to-day, their efforts hindered by a choking smoke that arose from the half quenched ruins, more than two hundred men from the building, police and fire departments, sought, but with only unsatisfactory results, for bodies of persons believed to have perished in yesterday's fire at the Windsor hotel. Most of the time the smoke was so dense that the workmen could scarcely see their hands before their faces, and the heat from the mass of debris, glowing red in places, held the rescuers almost beyond its limits.

Besides, the remnants of the walls left standing were so shaky and threatening that it would have been dangerous to allow the men to work about the mass of riveted iron and brick. Efforts were concentrated on clearing away the debris, removing weak walls, drilling the chimneys and other parts of the walls for blasting, and making the way safe for the men to dig in the ruins for the bodies.

The Victims of the Fire.

No bodies were taken from the seething mass of ruins to-day. The latest estimate to-night is sixteen dead, sixty-six missing, and fifty-seven injured. It is believed the men will be able to proceed with the grewsome search to-morrow with more satisfactory results. Several fire engines had kept their stations all night long, throwing heavy streams of water on the ruins. Occasionally a mass of flame would struggle up from some unnoticed spot like a bubble and burst away as the streams were played on it. Through the day explosions of gas punctuated the continual pumping sound of the engines.

Warren F. Leland, the proprietor of the Windsor, had somewhat recovered to-day, but was still in a feeble condition. He is as yet unable to account for the origin of the fire.

Losses and Insurance.

It was learned to-day that Eldridge T. Gerry had the building and the furniture that belonged to the hotel fully insured, and even the annual rental, for which he indemnified himself with policies aggregating $75,000. Mr. Gerry carried policies aggregating $599,000 on the building, and had insurance for $120,000 on the furnishings. In addition to this, Mr. Leland had policies aggregating $100,000 on his own furniture in the hotel. Most of the policies that covered the hotel were written with corporations that have their main offices in other States than New York.

No estimate can be made of the precious metals and gems which have withstood the flames and lie hidden in the embers and wreckage of the great hotel. One family lost jewelry valued at $200,000, and the total will run up somewhere near a million. How much has been picked up and carried away can never be known, nor can all ever be recovered.

Mrs. Nancy Kirk, who lost her life, and her daughter, Mrs. Mary Kirk Haskins, had the family jewels, valued at more than $200,000, with them. There were scores of other wealthy families who lived in the hotel and who lost jewels worth thousands of dollars.

WARM WIRELETS.

The California joint assembly adjourned without electing a United States Senator.

No quorum was present in the Pennsylvania Legislature yesterday and the Senatorial dead-lock remains unbroken.

Archibald Clavering Gunter, the well known novelist, was a patron of the Windsor hotel, and it is feared that he lost his life, with his child.

A dispatch from Rome says there is no truth in the report that the Pope was operated on again yesterday. During the day he received several persons in audience.

A fire at Geeenville, Texas, last night was one of the most disastrous conflagrations in the history of the city. The loss will reach $150,000, partially covered by insurance.

Rev. J. M. Frost, D. D., of Nashville, Tenn., secretary of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, is very ill at the home of his brother-in-law, M. N. Bradley, in Staunton, Va.

The weekly bank statement shows the following changes: Surplus reserve, decrease $4,128,825; loans, decrease $3,593,000 specie, decrease $6,140,800; legal tenders, increase $61,100; deposits, decrease $7,803,500; circulation, decrease $531,600. The banks now hold $19,094,175 in excess of legal requirements.

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AMERICAN FORCE IN MANILA

Reorganized Into Two Divisions, Commanded Respectively by Gen. Lawton and Gen. McArthur.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

MANILA, March 18, 10.20 P. M.—The entire American force has been reorganized, two divisions of three brigades each being formed.

General Lawton to-day assumed command of the first division, which consists of the Washington, North Dakota and California volunteers, under General King; six troops of the Fourth cavalry, the Fourteenth regulars, the Idaho volunteers and a battalion of the Iowa troops, under General Overshine; the Third and Twenty second regular infantry and the Oregon regiment, under General Wheaton, and Dyer's and Hawthorne's light batteries.

General Mac Arthur's division consists of two batteries of the Third artillery, the Kansas and Montana volunteers, under General H. G. Otis; the Colorado, Nebraska and South Dokota regiments, and six companies of the Pennsylvanians, under Gen. Hale; the Fourth and Seventeenth regulars, the Minnesota and Wyoming volunteers, and the Utah artillery.

A separate brigade will be assigned to provost guard duty, consisting of the Twentieth and eight companies of the Twenty-third regular infantry.

General Anderson, now in command of the first division of the Eighth Army Corps, will return to the United States, in accordance with the order of January 24.

Milton Park, of Dallas, Texas, chairman of the Populist National Reorganization Committee, has issued a manifesto setting forth the nomination of Wharton Baker for President and Ignatius Donally for Vice President.

Notice was posted yesterday by the Ponemah Mills Company in Taftville, Conn., that beginning April 3, the wages of the 1,500 employes will be increased on a scale of from five to ten per cent. The company manufactures white goods.

BUSY QUEEN VICTORIA.

Very Conscientious About Letter Writing. How She Gets the Daily News.

Queen Victoria's private letters number many hundreds every year. She writes to her numerous relatives, forgetting no anniversary or occasion on which a letter might be welcome. The London Chronicle says that to the younger members of the royal family she never fails to send birthday gifts, accompanied by a few loving words of greeting. Every day the birthday book is consulted—not that birthday book in which singers, actors and other personages are asked to write, but that smaller volume reserved for relatives and intimates. Then there are numerous letters of a semiprivate nature which are written by the queen herself—letters of condolence, letters of congratulation to brides who have been connected with the court, letters to foreign monarchs. Besides all these epistles, written in the blackest of ink on paper slightly edged with black, there are thousands which are penned by the private secretary and his assistants.

The queen's day begins early and ends late. After breakfast—a meal which she still enjoys eating in the open air when possible—there are the newspapers and private correspondence claiming attention. With regard to the former, portions of The Times and other journals are read aloud to the queen by a lady specially appointed for this purpose. Very rarely does the queen comment on the news, except in the case of a calamity, when her sympathy is quickly expressed in a telegram. Inaccuracy in an important newspaper as to royal matters gives the queen grave annoyance, and The Chronicle's writer has known an official to call and complain of the misstatement and demand a rectification. Not long ago an illustrated London paper gave a picture in which her majesty was represented as holding the arm of her Indian attendant. Within a short space of time a member of the royal household called on the editor to state the absurdity of such an error. "The queen is much annoyed at this mistake on the part of your artist, as it might give grievous offense to important persons in India. She could never take the arm of a servant." This will show how closely she watches even the pictorial press. When a good illustration appears of any state function, it is a common incident for the artist to be requested to visit the queen, very likely to receive a commission.

RUSSIAN WOMEN.

Not Long Ago They Were Treated as the Turkish Women Are.

It is curious to think what a short time it is since the emperors of Russia treated their womankind in the same way they are still treated in Turkey, says a writer in the Montreal Star. In those days the czar chose his wife from among his subjects, and she was never considered his equal. The matters were arranged in this way—on a certain day the nobles brought their young daughters to be looked at, and she who took the emperor's fancy was forthwith chosen to be his wife.

The princesses were kept with the same strictness as eastern princesses, and marriage only changed their place of residence, but gave them no more freedom. They were allowed occasionally to be present when guests were received, to whom they would hand a cup of wine and then retire to their apartments, there being a suit of rooms at the north side of the palace reserved especially for them.

If they were ill, the room was darkened before the doctor was admitted, and he was not even allowed to feel their pulse, and when they drove out the windows of their carriages had drawn curtains.

The first czarina who emancipated herself from this state of slavery, and so instituted a new and happier era for Russian women, was the beautiful Nathalie Neryschki, the second wife of Alexis Michaelovitch and the mother of Peter the Great, and her first triumph was when she obtained her husband's consent to drive with him in an open carriage to the monastery of Troitzky, a proceeding which at the time occasioned a great scandal.

Naturally, when the Russian princes began to intermarry with other European royal families, they were obliged to treat their wives differently, but it was a long time before the court of Russia became as civilized as the rest of Europe.

A Yale Prank.

The Hartford Courant tells a story of Yale in the old days. The boys used to bribe the printers' "devils" to get proofs of the examination papers for them. When the college authorities put a stop to this practice, a bright idea seized one fellow, and he saved the whole suffering party. He hired one of the printers (it was summer) to wear a pair of white trousers to the office and at noon to sit down on the form in which were locked the precious questions. The inky seat of that pair of trousers sold for a deal more than the clothes were worth in their original spotlessness and relief was secured.

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